

# TOWN OF WILTON

## SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

Date: March 4, 2013

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: Town Office

Present: Chairman Steven J. McDonough, Selectmen Daniel E. Donovan, III, and William F. Condra and Recording Secretary Pamela Atwood.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman McDonough.

Steve Elliott attended the meeting to discuss several issues. The first was about a discussion a merchant had with Steve regarding a sidewalk problem. After a brief conversation the following motion was made:

Motion: A motion was made by Selectman Condra seconded by Selectman Donovan for Steve to make repairs as suggested in the least expensive manner. A unanimous vote followed.

The Storm Water Management issue was discussed next. Selectman Donovan spoke about his conversation with Rebecca Balke from CEI. He explained that the EPA's regulation have been in effect since 2003 and due to the results of the 2010 Census, a portion of Wilton now falls under the Storm Water Prevention plan requirements. Further discussion lead to the decision that an engineering study would need to be done. Selectman Donovan estimated a cost of approximately \$10,000. Steve Elliott will attempt to do some of the mapping that is needed. Selectman Donovan voiced his confusion over where this item came from all of a sudden and why this was the first time the Selectmen have heard about it.

A discussion on signage was next. Steve Elliott asked the Board for confirmation of their request for horse signage on Burton Highway and

he asked who was going to pay for the signs. The Selectmen agreed that they thought signage may help the speeding problem and to put two signs up, one at each end of the road.

Mr. Elliott updated the Board on the water problem in the Town Hall boiler room, stating that during heavy rainstorms water pours down the wall in the boiler room. He gave the current readings of the two monitoring wells and explained that the gutters are piped away from the building. He talked about other possible solutions and asked for suggestions from the Selectmen.

Selectman McDonough made a motion to go nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3,II (c) at 6:51 P.M. seconded by Selectman Donovan, followed by a vote with all in favor.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:07 P.M.

Tom Quinn and Denis Viens were next on the agenda to discuss a driveway permit. Mr. Quinn presented a handout which outlined the process Mr. Viens had been through to obtain a driveway permit for Lot L-6 on Gregoire Circle. As outlined, Mr. Quinn was requesting the Board of Selectmen to issue a directive to the Director of Public Works to issue the permit as all the avenues to deny the permit had been exhausted or not taken advantage of. After discussion and consideration of the points presented by Mr. Quinn, the following motion was made:

Motion: Selectman Condra made a motion to direct the Building Inspector to issue the building permit and the Director of Public Works to issue the driveway permit based on the Planning Board wording waiver. Once the driveway permit is issued then a building permit may be issued. The motion was seconded by Selectman Donovan, followed by a unanimous vote.

Selectman Donovan made a statement to Director of Public Works

Steve Elliott saying that it was necessary for the Board to do what they did and no offense was meant toward Steve.

Gary Jensen voiced his concerns with the Board's acceptance of the Viens' driveway permit. The Selectmen explained to Mr. Jensen why they made the decision they did and how he could proceed. Jim Tuttle stated, as a Commissioner on both the Water and Sewer Commissions, that Mr. Viens did not have the green light for either of the water or sewer connections to that lot.

Chairman McDonough recognized Nancy Zamoiski next. She voiced her concerns about the covenants and restrictions being placed on the Catholic Church buildings if the Town accepts the offer. She talked about discrimination and basic issues of fairness to the citizens of Wilton. She asked if the Board was happy with the agreement. After a lengthy discussion about the restrictions and enforcement of them, Selectmen Condra and Donovan stated that they would not accept the Church buildings based on the current list. Selectman McDonough said that none of the uses proposed by the Community Center Committee would violate the list. Nancy told the Board that she had written a letter to the editor of the Cabinet and had submitted it this morning. The Board thanked her for her time.

One (1) Timber Tax Warrant was signed.

One (1) Intent-to-Excavate was signed.

The minutes were approved.

The manifests were approved.

The informational material and correspondence was reviewed.

The Board looked at paperwork from a resident requesting a tax deferral based on hardship. After a discussion, the following motion was made:

Motion: Chairman McDonough made a motion to defer one half of this residents taxes per RSA 72:38-a. Selectman Donovan seconded

the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The Welfare position was discussed and the decision was made not to approve payment for an exploratory position.

A motion will be made during Town Meeting to add money to a line item in the budget to pay for the Storm Water Management Plan.

Attorney Little is looking for the name of the person at the Department of Education who was responsible for the apportionment error.

Jim Tuttle will contact Jane Farrell regarding the pending abatement on the Fire Department water bill.

Jim Tuttle informed the Selectmen that Denis Viens has not made application for either a water or sewer hook-up for the Gregoire Circle lot. An informational letter will be sent to Mr. Viens informing him of this requirement. Also, John Shepardson will be told not to issue a building permit until application has been made the fees have been paid for water and sewer hook-ups.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 P.M. by Chairman McDonough, seconded by Selectman Condra followed by a vote with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted;

Pamela L. Atwood,  
Recording Secretary